AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 25 as follows:

To resolve the above drawbacks, research efforts have focused on doing away with the hydraulic system for safety and cleanliness reasons: components that work under pressure are a potential source of hazards, especially in an aeroplane. One proposed solution was to switch to an electromechanical system. Document US-A-5 623-412 <u>US A 5 263 412</u> describes a compactor comprising a horizontal plate driven by an electric motor, which generates a rotary motion, and mechanisms – specifically, a pantograph system – to convert rotary motion into translational motion for moving the horizontal plate.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 7 as follows:

It is an object of this invention to provide a waste compactor in accordance with claim 1 that resolves the aforementioned problems.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 16 as follows:

The trolley in accordance with claim 9 the present disclosure has the additional advantage of facilitating handling, movement, and removal of the waste containers deformed by the compacted waste after compaction. The dependent claims describe preferred embodiments of the invention.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 16 as follows:

The waste compactor 2 comprises an electric motor 18, preferably a motor reducer, that generates rotary motion and is connected to mechanisms comprising a reducing unit 19 and two telescopic screws 15, 15'. The telescopic screws drive the horizontal, metal, compaction plate 16 by means of vertical, translational motion. For improved mechanical stability, the system should preferably consist of two paired screws 23, 23' driven by a single electric motor. Preferably, a twin system of telescopic, ball bearing screws 23, 23' should be used to optimize performance close to 100%.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 2 as follows:

An advantageous alternative embodiment of the trolley 1 in accordance with the invention features means designed to facilitate the handling, movement, and removal of the waste containers 6, 6'. A moving side wall 13 of the drawer 3 is hinged to the top of the drawer structure by a horizontal hinge 25 so that said side wall moves outward toward the drawer 3 and the fixed part 4 when the bottom part of said moving side wall 13 is rotated.